

A Brief Guide for Families, Organizations and Public Officials

Resources to inform, support and prepare families for a possible return to Mexico

RETURNING TO MEXICO

Once I am in Mexico, how can I bring my children?

- Parents have the right to have their children with them and live together in Mexico as long as both parents who have custodial rights over the children agree with the living arrangement and the parent does not have any other legal constraints.
- Parents have the right to have their children with them as long as no legal matter is pending with a child welfare agency, dependency court, or family court in the United States.

A child of a Mexican national who is born in the United States will NOT lose U.S. citizenship if the person (either a child or adult) acquires Mexican citizenship. If Mexican citizenship is acquired, this person would have DUAL CITIZENSHIP. They would therefore have the right to access all public services in Mexico. Once in Mexico, as a US citizen, this individual would also be able to obtain a U.S. passport or Social Security number at the [U.S. Embassy](#) in Mexico City or a regional consular office. People with dual citizenship are able to travel freely to and from the United States and any other country they choose.